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Frederick E. Becker et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

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APPLICATION FOR PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§1.705(b)

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Sir:

Applicants request a reconsideration of patent term adjustment under 37 C.F.R. §§1.705(b).

The Deteremination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) included with the Notice of Allowability and Issue Fee Transmittal dated January 25, 2005 indicates a patent term adjustment of 140 days.

On the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system there is an Applicant delay of 293 days in responding to the non-final rejection mailed on November 17, 2003 and response date restarted on August 24, 2004.

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PAIR indicates that a non-final rejection was mailed on November 17, 2003. Applicants never received the non-final rejection. The PAIR system indicates that a Notice regarding the Restarted Response Period was mailed on August 24, 2004. Applicants mailed a Response to the non-final rejection and the postcard was dated stamped as being received on December 3, 2004.

Attached as Exhibit A is a copy of the date stamped postcard.

PAIR begins counting the Applicants response time to the Non-Final Action as beginning on November 17, 2003, as opposed to the restart date of August 24, 2004. Attached as Exhibit B is a copy of the PAIR system's calculations of Patent Term Adjustment.

Applicants request their delay be recalcuated beginning with the restart date of August 24, 2004 and the delay be changed from 293 to 12 days.

Applicant respectfully requests an adjustment of the patent term from 140 days to 421 days, an adjustment of 281 days to account for the discrepancy of the Response mail date and restart mail date.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.18(e), the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct a fee of \$200.00 from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No.: 50-1212/UTXC:569USC1.

Respectfully submitted,

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